

Methyl Bromide Price Changes

Changes in Costs Charged by Importers for Methyl Bromide Sold in the EU, 1991-1998

Country	Change in Cost (1991 – 1998)
Spain	+ 25% to 110%
Portugal	+ 28%
Greece	- 24% to +70%
France	+ 7% to 20%
Italy	+ 77% to 114%
Belgium	+ 16%
Germany	+ 45%
Netherlands	- 24%
Average	+ 38%

Source: UNEP/TEAP 2001.

- The price of methyl bromide in the European Union increased on average 38 percent over this seven year period.
- Italy showed the greatest price hike, with an increase of 77-114 percent between 1991 and 1998.
- The cost of methyl bromide in west coast United States is over 4 times more expensive in 2001 than in 1995.

Changes in Prices of Methyl Bromide in the US (cost/kg)

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
USA (west coast)	\$2.5-2.9	\$2.8-3.3	\$3.1-3.9	\$3.7-4.4	\$4.4-6.6	\$6.6-8.8	\$8.8-11

Source: UNEP/TEAP 2001.

Methyl Bromide Prices Increases due to:

- Scarcity from decreased production levels;
- Various levies by importers;
- Possible decline in foreign exchange rates; and
- Policy of suppliers

Most common increases exist in Non-Article 5 countries.

Source: UNEP/TEAP 2001, Miller 2001.